GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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HOUSES FOR BPL PEOPLE
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any assessment of total dwellings needed in rural areas of the country for the people living below poverty line;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the programme finalised to provide houses for these people, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to seek financial assistance from private sector under this programme; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) & (b) According to the 1991 Census, 3.41 million households were without shelter and 10.31 million households were living in unserviceable kutcha houses. Thus, the total housing shortage was 13.72 millions in 1991. It was estimated that another 10.75 million houses would be needed to cover the population growth between 1991-2002 AD, at the rate of an annual growth of 0.89 million houselessness. Thus around 24.47 million houses were needed to be constructed by 2002 AD.

An Action Plan was finalized to provide houses to shelterless people in rural areas comprising of the following elements:

i. Conversion of unserviceable kutcha houses in Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY)
ii. Credit-cum-Subsidy Scheme for Rural Housing (CCSS)
iii. Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and Habitat Development
iv. Rural Building Centre (RBC)
v. Enhancement of equity contribution to HUDCO

Under the Action Plan an additional 13 lakh Rural houses annually were to beconstructed over and above 12.30 lakh houses already being constructed.

Under the IAY & the CCSS, the State-wise targets are fixed on the basis of pre- determined criteria. The Schemes of Innovative Stream for Rural Housing and HabitatDevelopment and Rural Building Centre are project based demand driven schemes, henceno targets can be fixed under these schemes.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) In view of (c) above, question does not arise.